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JP 08-216382 and corresponding U.S. Patent No. 5,753,048 disclose a method and apparatus for cleaning a cylinder of a rotary printing machine. According to this reference, the cleaning brush 2 is always lifted when it passes a cylinder gap 4.

JP 07-040530 and the English language abstract attached thereto disclose a washing system for an inking roller or a plate and blanket, and impression cylinder, which lifts off of the cylinder being washed at a certain location.

JP 3-10842 and the English language abstract attached thereto disclose a blanket

washing method in which a wash cloth is lifted off of the blanket when a non-printing area is

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